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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

28 May 13, 2014

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Dear Supervisors:

AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT AND IMPLEMENT A FORTHCOMING NOTICE OF AWARD AND FUTURE AWARDS AND/OR AMENDMENTS FROM THE CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION FOR THE MEDICAL MONITORING PROJECT FOR THE PERIOD OF JUNE 1, 2014 THROUGH MAY 31, 2019

SUBJECT

Provide authorization to accept and implement a forthcoming award and future awards and/or amendments from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to support the Medical Monitoring Project.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

1. Delegate authority to the Director of the Department of Public Health (DPH), or his designee, to accept and implement a forthcoming Notice of Award (NA) from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to continue participation in the Medical Monitoring Project (MMP) for the anticipated period of June 1, 2014 through May 31, 2015, at an amount estimated not to exceed \$736,769, subject to review and approval by County Counsel, and notification to your Board and the Chief Executive Office (CEO).
2. Delegate authority to the Director of DPH, or his designee, to accept future awards and/or amendments that are consistent with the requirements of the forthcoming NA referenced above that extend the term through May 31, 2019; reflect non-material and/or ministerial revisions to the award's terms and conditions; allow for the rollover of unspent funds and/or redirection of funds; adjust the term of the award through November 30, 2019; and/or provide an increase or decrease in funding up to 25 percent above or below each grant term's annual base amount, subject to review and approval by County Counsel, and notification to your Board and the CEO.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approval of Recommendation 1 will allow DPH to accept CDC funds to continue to participate in the MMP, an expanded surveillance project that collects data from HIV infected individuals that describes the type of care received, risk behavior trends, healthcare and medication utilization patterns, adherence to HIV treatment, clinical outcomes, and unmet needs. The data are used to further understanding of the clinical characteristics, health care utilization, and risk behaviors of persons living with HIV who receive care in Los Angeles County. The MMP data are also used to monitor development of drug resistance in persons with HIV in Los Angeles County, monitor trends in the use of methamphetamine and other substances among persons with HIV, and evaluate the accessibility and utilization of HIV testing services.

The project includes a pilot component that introduces case surveillance based sampling (CSBS) of all persons with HIV reported in Los Angeles County. CSBS includes persons both in and out of HIV care, and will be used to test new methods for collecting MMP data that are representative of persons both in and out of care.

Approval of Recommendation 2 will allow DPH to accept future awards and/or amendments that are consistent with the requirements of the forthcoming NA to extend and/or adjust the term of the award; reflect non-material revisions to terms and conditions; rollover unspent funds and/or redirect funds; and/or provide an increase or decrease in funding up to 25 percent above or below each grant term's annual base amount. This recommended action will enable DPH to accept future awards and/or amendments that adjust the project period up to six months beyond the original term, in those instances where there has been an unanticipated extension of the term to allow additional time to complete services and utilize grant funding. This authority is being requested to enhance DPH's efforts to expeditiously maximize grant revenue, consistent with Board Policy 4.070: Full Utilization of Grant Funds.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The recommended actions support Goal 3, Integrated Services Delivery, of the County's Strategic Plan.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

DPH will accept a forthcoming NA from the CDC for the anticipated period of June 1, 2014 through May 31, 2015, at an amount estimated not to exceed \$736,769, as well as funding for four subsequent terms, through May 31, 2019, at amounts to be determined by the CDC. These funds will support personnel costs, operating expenses, and indirect costs.

Funding is included in DPH's fiscal year (FY) 2013 – 14 Final Adopted Budget and will be included in future FYs, as necessary.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

On August 11, 2009, your Board authorized acceptance of NA Grant Number 1U62PS001605-1 and

delegated authority to the Director of DPH to accept future awards and amendments from the CDC, for the term effective June 1, 2009 through May 31, 2014, to support oversight and implementation of the MMP.

On January 15, 2014, the CDC released Continuation of Funding Opportunity Announcement (CFOA) Number PS09-93706CONT14 to continue the activities of the MMP and implement the CSBS pilot project for the period June 1, 2014 through May 31, 2015.

On February 27, 2014, DPH submitted an application in response to the CFOA referenced above. DPH anticipates receipt of an award by June 1, 2014.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Approval of the recommended actions will allow DPH to accept funds from the CDC to continue oversight and implementation of MMP activities in Los Angeles County.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jonathan E. Fielding". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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Director and Health Officer

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